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In re A	Application of:	)
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For:	METHOD FOR PRODUCING BIOASSAY PLATE BY STACKING TWO SUBSTRATES TOGETHER AND BIOASSAY PLATE	) ) )

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the documents listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08. Copies of the listed non-U.S. patent documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the documents listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08 and indicate that they were it was considered by making an appropriate notation on this form.

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The following is listed on the accompanying PTO/SB/08 and is in a non-English language:

"Micromachines and Materials Engineering" Chapter 5 "Cell and DNA
 Manipulation" - The relevance of this document is discussed at page 10 of the specification of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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